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**From:** Sarah McHaney  
**Sent:** Mon 8/10/2015 3:41:30 PM  
**Subject:** RE: PBS NewsHour Request - Tonight

Thank you Robert, this is very helpful. Will call the Region 8 office now.

Best,

Sarah McHaney

**From:** Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 11:37 AM  
**To:** Sarah McHaney  
**Subject:** RE: PBS NewsHour Request - Tonight

Hullo Sarah,

You ought to contact our Region 8 office, based in Denver, which has been managing the media response to the Gold King Mine situation. A few contact names and numbers

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In addition, Region 8 will be hosting daily media calls at 5 PM Eastern, through at least Friday 8/14. More info here:

**Aug 10, 3 PM MTN: EPA Daily Media Call on Gold King Mine Release**

Contacts: Paula Smith, Colorado, [smith.paula@epa.gov](mailto:smith.paula@epa.gov)

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**COLORADO, DALLAS, SAN FRANCISCO** – (August 9, 2015) EPA is providing daily updates for members of the media via conference call. In order to provide better service and audio quality, we will use our operator assisted conferencing service.

**WHO:** EPA Officials from Denver, Dallas and San Francisco (varies by date)

**WHEN:** August 10, 3 PM (Mountain, MT)

**WHERE:** Conference Dial-in Number: **1-866-900-8984**

Conference Identification: **9662033**, Gold King Mine Release – EPA Media Update

On Aug. 5 while investigating Gold King Mine in Colorado, EPA and State Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety triggered a large release of mine wastewater into Cement Creek. EPA is working closely with first responders and local and state officials to monitor water contaminated by the spill. The spill path flows through 3 of EPA's regions (Region 8 (Colorado/Utah & Southern Ute Tribe); Region 6 (New Mexico), and Region 9 (Navajo Nation). EPA has activated its Emergency Operations System to ensure coordinate on among its regions, laboratories and national program offices in Washington DC. EPA is closely coordinating with the officials in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Southern Ute Tribe and Navajo Nation.

For the latest information, photos, and the data when available, visit [http://epaossc.org/site/site\\_profile.aspx?site\\_id=11082](http://epaossc.org/site/site_profile.aspx?site_id=11082) .

**From:** Sarah McHaney [<mailto:smchaney@newshour.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 11:35 AM  
**To:** Daguillard, Robert  
**Subject:** PBS NewsHour Request - Tonight  
**Importance:** High

Hi Robert,

I hope this note finds you well. My name is Sarah McHaney, I am a producer at the PBS NewsHour. We are doing a segment tonight on the Animas River in Colorado and the active spill in the region. We are wondering if the EPA is planning on making anyone available to the press today about the situation. We would love to speak to someone either on the national or regional level. Judy Woodruff is the correspondent doing this interview.

We would ask some basic questions about how this spill occurred, how dangerous it is to the community, and what are the efforts already underway to curb the spill. Then bigger picture questions about what a full cleanup will take, if there is a way to prevent future spills of this nature, and if you live near this river what you should be doing in the meantime.

Please let me know as soon as possible if someone is available. We can be somewhat flexible on timing, but our ideal windows are between 4:15pm EST – 5:15pm EST or live at 6:20pm EST.

Thank you,

Sarah McHaney

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